



**St. John's Lutheran Church † Sunday in Pentecost**  
**October 10th, 2021 Facebook Live 8:15 a.m.,**  
**In-Person 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

**Welcome to worship and thank you for your shared ministry with us! We welcome your presence, prayers, time, and giving, so that we may continue as the beloved community that is St. John's.**

### **Prelude**

Please observe a time of silence and prayer during the prelude.

### **Announcements**

#### **Confession and Forgiveness** *(please stand)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**God our comforter: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**Amen.**

#### **Gathering Song – "Gather Us In" ELW #532 vs. 1, 2** *(Please Stand)*

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

#### **Apostolic Greeting Song**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## Canticle of Praise

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, **Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15** *(please sit)*

<sup>6</sup>Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! <sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. <sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have

said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 90:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants. R**

<sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

<sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

<sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork. R**

### **Children's Time**

**Gospel Acclamation ELW #142 a** (*please stand*)

***Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

**Gospel Reading: Mark 10: 17-31**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. <sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—

houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message:** Pastor Christine Emerson *“Pride and Prejudice, a Faith Story ”*

**Song of the Day** – –*“In Sacred Manner” ACS #1071 vs. 1 – 3, 6 (Please Stand)*

1 In sacred manner may we walk upon the fair and loving earth, in beauty move, in beauty love the living round that brought us birth. We stand on holy ground. We stand on holy ground.

2 In sacred manner may we see the luminous and loving stars, with wonder and with awe behold their ever-new creative powers. The heavens show us God. The heavens show us God.

3 In sacred manner may we touch the suspirant and loving green, give honor and give gratitude for shade, for bloom, for gift unseen. The trees shall shout for joy. The trees shall shout for joy.

6 In sacred manner may we walk upon the fair and loving earth, in beauty move, in beauty love the living round that brought us birth. We stand on holy ground. We stand on holy ground.

**Apostle’s Creed** *(please stand)*

With the whole Church, let us confess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession** *(please stand)*

Made children and heirs of God’s promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind (*local ministries may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died (*especially*). Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**The Peace**

**Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer, & Words of Institution** (*please sit*)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you O God, for you made the earth and all that is, and declared it good.

Blessed are you, for in Christ you entered into creation, into our humanity, into our vulnerability, into our mortality.

You stayed with us through conflict, through suffering, through death.

Blessed are you for raising Jesus from the dead, in him promising new life to us all.

In the night in which he was betrayed ...

Come, Lord Jesus, in this meal, and make us alive again. By your spirit, bind us to that holy communion of saints in every time and place, and make us your body in the world, bringing light and healing to all.

**Amen.**

Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as our Savior taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen**

### **Communion/Offering Music**

**(8:15)** Choir – “*Put On Love*”

*(During the music, ushers will receive your offering and your used communion cups.)*

### **Blessing & Post Communion Prayer**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Let us pray. Lord of life, **in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

### **Benediction**

People of God, you are Christ’s body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ☩ one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Sending Song “All Creatures, Worship God Most High” ELW # 835 vs. 1, 2, 6 (Please Stand)**

1 All creatures, worship God most high! Sound ev'ry voice in earth and sky: Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright; sing, sister moon and stars of night: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Sing, brother wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and grain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Dear sister water, useful, clear, make music for your Lord to hear: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart: Alleluia! Alleluia! All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### **Sending**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **Thanks be to God.**

*(Peace be with you. If you are online, share a sign of peace in the comments.)*

## **Postlude**

**Altar Flowers** in memory of Orval Knegendorf from Cloris Seng.

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We welcome all to partake of Christ's holy supper while worshipping with us online this Sunday by preparing your table at home with bread and wine/juice.

### **Serving at worship today:**

Pastors-Rev. Julie Brenden and Rev. Christine Emerson

Lectors-(8:15) Mark Sontag (10:30) Margaret Kinderman

Ushers-(8:15) Jim Boulter, Randy Lundblad (10:30) Ralph Kinderman, Larry Schaefer

Communion Servers-(8:15) Louise Alt (10:30) Cindy Komornick

Acolyte – (8:15) Gavin Tweet (10:30) Norah Kording

Camera System-(8:15) Scott Olsen

Power Point-(8:15) Lois Mai (10:30) Brett Isaacson

Pianist-Roxanne Litchfield

### **This Week at St. John's:**

#### **Today, Sunday, October 10th**

#### **Blessing of the Pets**

8:15 am In-Person Worship & Facebook Live

9:30am Sunday School

9:50 am Blessing of the Pets

10:30 am In-Person Worship

11:30 am Parking Lot communion

11:30-12:30 pm Rooted

#### **Today, Sunday, October 17th**

#### **Youth Raking Silent Auction Starts**

8:15am In-Person Worship & Facebook Live

8:30am Worship Radio (WAYY)

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am In-Person Worship

10:30am Worship TV (WQOW)

11:30-12:30 pm CIA